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ABSTRACT

The three parts of this book, "The Adolescent, Health, and Society," "Topical Areas for Promoting Health," and "The Future of Adolescent Health Promotion: Next Steps," offer a new framework for examining the status of adolescent health in the United States. Contributing authors have provided the following chapters: (1) "Adolescent Health Promotion: Rationale, Goals, and Objectives" (Susan G. Millstein, Anne C. Petersen, and Elena O. Nightingale); (2) "Adolescent Development: Health Risks and Opportunities for Health Promotion" (Lisa J. Crockett and Anne C. Petersen); (3) "The Influence of Economic Factors on Health-Related Behaviors in Adolescents" (Lorraine V. Klerman); (4) "Health Promotion for Minority Adolescents: Cultural Considerations" (Felton Earls); (5) "The Social World of Adolescents: Families, Peers, Schools, and the Community" (Cheryl L. Perry, Steven H. Kelder, and Kelli A. Komro); (6) "A View of Health from the Adolescent's Perspective" (Susan G. Millstein); (7) "Health-Enhancing and Health-Compromising Lifestyles" (Delbert S. Elliott); (8) "Promoting Positive Mental Health during Adolescence" (Bruce E. Compas); (9) "Sex is a Gamble, Kissing Is a Game: Adolescent Sexuality and Health Promotion" (Jeanne Brooks-Gunn and Roberta L. Paikoff); (10) "Promoting Healthful Diet and Physical Activity" (James F. Sallis); (11) "Promoting Oral Health in Adolescents" (Judith E. N. Albino and Sandra D. Lawrence); (12) "Promoting Healthy Alternatives to Substance Abuse" (Howard Leventhal and Patricia Keeshan); (13) "The Control of Violence and the Promotion of Nonviolence in Adolescents" (Felton Earls, Robert B. Cairns, and James A. Mercy); (14) "Promoting Safety in Adolescents" (Ralph Hingson and Jonathan Howland); (15) "From Causal Description to Causal Explanation: Improving Three Already Good Evaluations of Adolescent Health Programs" (Thomas D. Cook, Amy R. Anson, and Suzanne B. Walchli); and (16) "Adolescent Health Promotion in the Twenty-first Century: Current Frontiers and Future Directions" (David A. Hamburg, Susan G. Millstein, Allyn M. Mortimer, Elena O. Nightingale, and Anne C. Petersen). Commentaries on Parts I and II from the perspectives of a nurse (Jeanettte M. Broering) and a physician (Charles E. Irwin, Jr.) are included. (LL)